

FEUTURE

THE FUTURE OF EU-TURKEY RELATIONS:
MAPPING DYNAMICS AND TESTING SCENARIOS

Game (Not) Over: Mapping Dynamics and Testing Scenarios in EU-Turkey Relations in a Global Perspective

14-15 October, 2018

Mandarin Oriental, Bodrum

Sunday, 14 October 2018

19:00-21:00 **Opening night's dinner (details TBC)**

Monday, 15 October 2018

- 10:00-10:30 **Welcome and opening remarks**
Nathalie Tocci, Director, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)
Funda Tekin, Scientific Advisor and Project Director, Centre for Turkey and EU Studies (CETEUS), University of Cologne
Sinan Ülgen, Chairman, Centre for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies (EDAM) and Visiting Scholar, Carnegie Europe
- 10:30-12:30 **Session 1: Different scenarios, different FEUTURES: Discussion on the FEUTURE final synthesis paper**
In principle, EU-Turkey relations could evolve towards convergence, cooperation or conflict. On the basis of current trends and drivers, the most likely scenario appears to be one of “conflictual cooperation”. The first session will be aimed at 1) introducing the nuts and bolts of this scenario, and 2) testing the feasibility of a “creative association” between Turkey and the EU that could mitigate conflictual dynamics and enhance the cooperative impulses between the two within a rules-based framework.
- 12:30-14:00 **Lunch**
- 14:00-16:00 **Session 2: How to move forward: Focus on policy recommendations**
The second session will focus on the policy actions required for “creative association” to come about. Some guiding questions include: Is the political will necessary to engage in institutional engineering and

closer integration present in Brussels and Ankara? How would Turkey participate in the EU decision-making under the proposed model? Is there a way the EU and Turkey can continue working on security, migration, economy and energy while isolating politics; or in light of recent political developments on both sides, is cooperation on any matter now at risk?

16:00-16:30

Coffee break

16:30-18:00

Session 3: Placing FEUTURE in a global context

Some guiding questions include: What does Erdoğan's renewed mandate after the June elections, as well as his alliance with the nationalists, mean for Turkey's relations with the EU and the United States? How does this post-election Turkey fit into a West, when several Western democracies have also come under assault? Will the risk of the erosion of the liberal international order make the cost of a full-blown confrontation more affordable? Or will it motivate the sides to preserve the ties that bind?

18:00-18:15

Conclusions and wrap-up

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20:00-22:00

Closing night's reception/dinner (details TBC)



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